



NOT AT ALL.

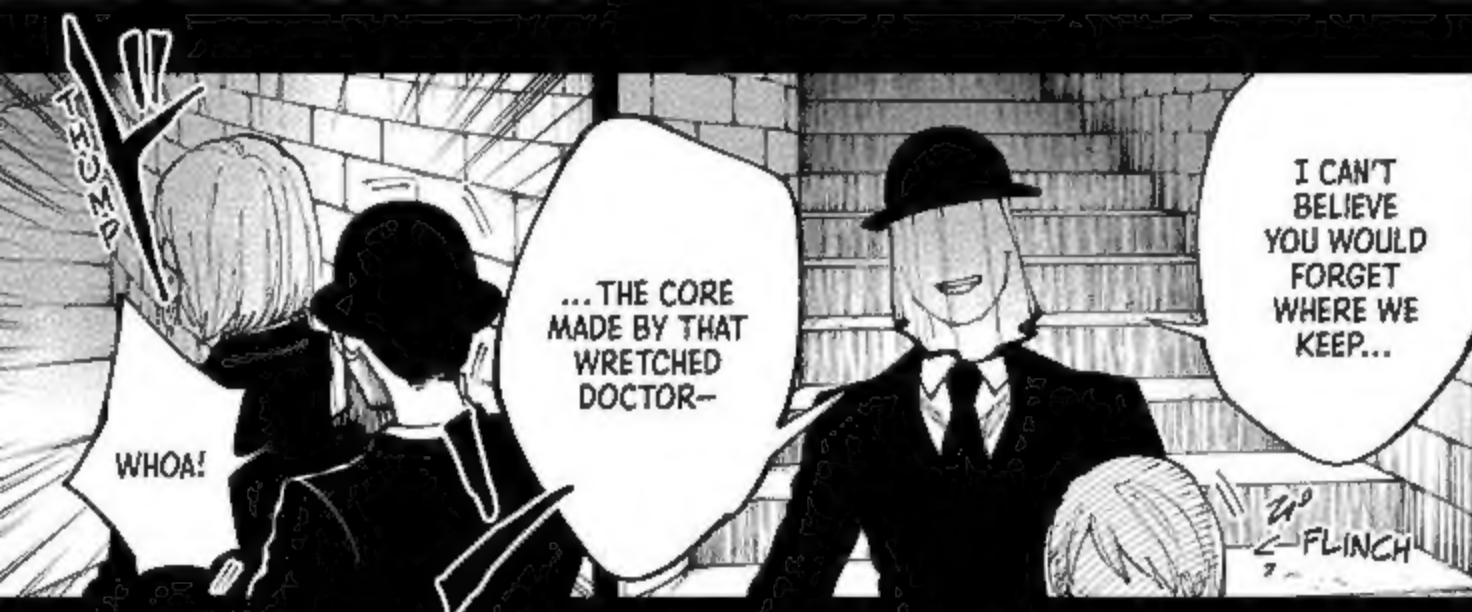
BUT I NEVER TOOK YOU AS THE FORGETFUL TYPE, AYAKO.

...FOR ASKING YOU TO LEAD ME HERE AT SUCH A LATE HOUR.

I'M SORRY...

HEAD-QUARTERS, DAY OF THE ATTACK

FABRICANT 100



WHOA!

...THE CORE MADE BY THAT WRETCHED DOCTOR—

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU WOULD FORGET WHERE WE KEEP...

FLINCH



SORRY ...



DISPARAGE THE DOCTOR AGAIN...

...AND I'LL KILL YOU!





SURE, ARE YOU
feeling better
now?

I'm
sorry.
Thank
you so
much.



P-pardon...?



You've
gotta be
cold. Wear
this.

Oh,
no,
I'm all
right.



KUGUI IS A
FIVE-STAR
COMBATANT...

HE'S
SUPPOSEDLY
AYAKO'S
OLDER
BROTHER,
BUT...



"...TO GIVE
THEIR OWN
LIFE TO
PREVENT
MORE CASU-
ALTIES?!"

"AFTER
WHO, ALL
WOULDN'T
WANT..."











MY
HOSTAGE—

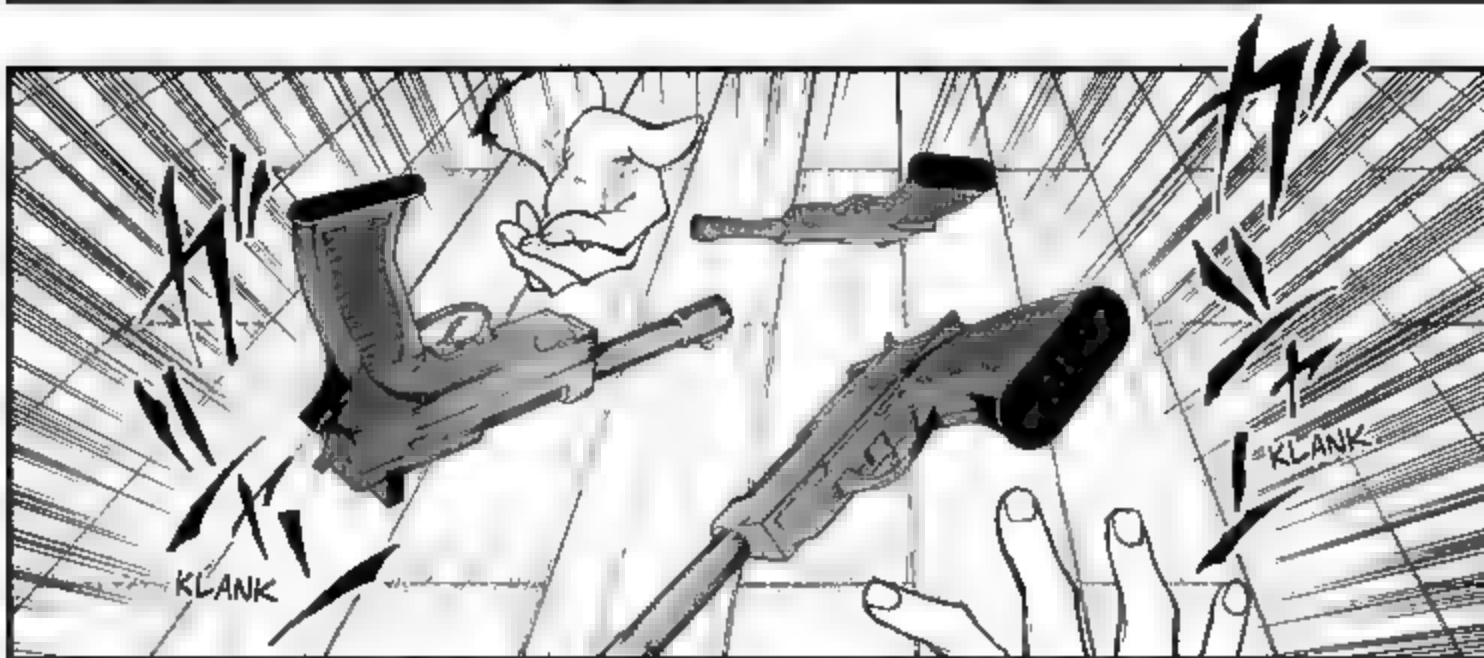


SHE THREW
SOMETHING AT
ME FROM MY
BLIND SPOT!





TOO
SLOW!



BUT...

...WHEN
HE PICKED
UP THE
HAMMER...



HE REALLY
MUST BE
AYAKO'S BIG
BROTHER.



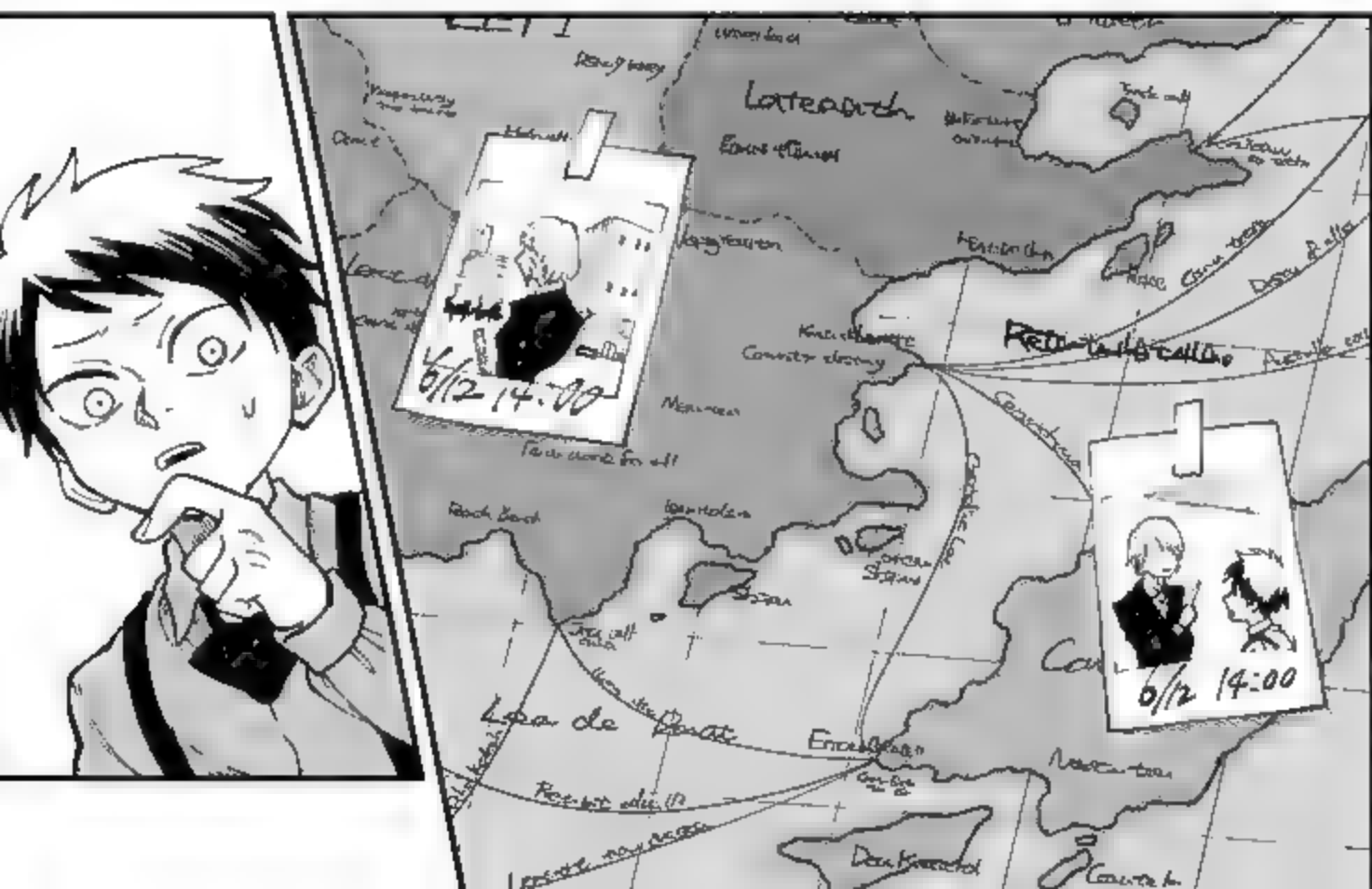
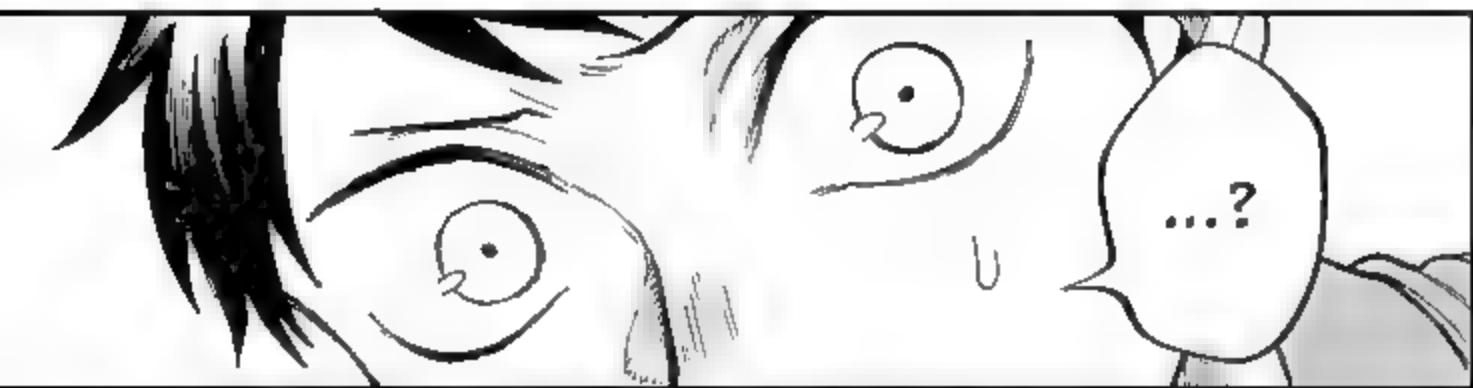
WOW!

HE DID
THAT TO
ALL OF
THEM
IN ONE
STROKE!





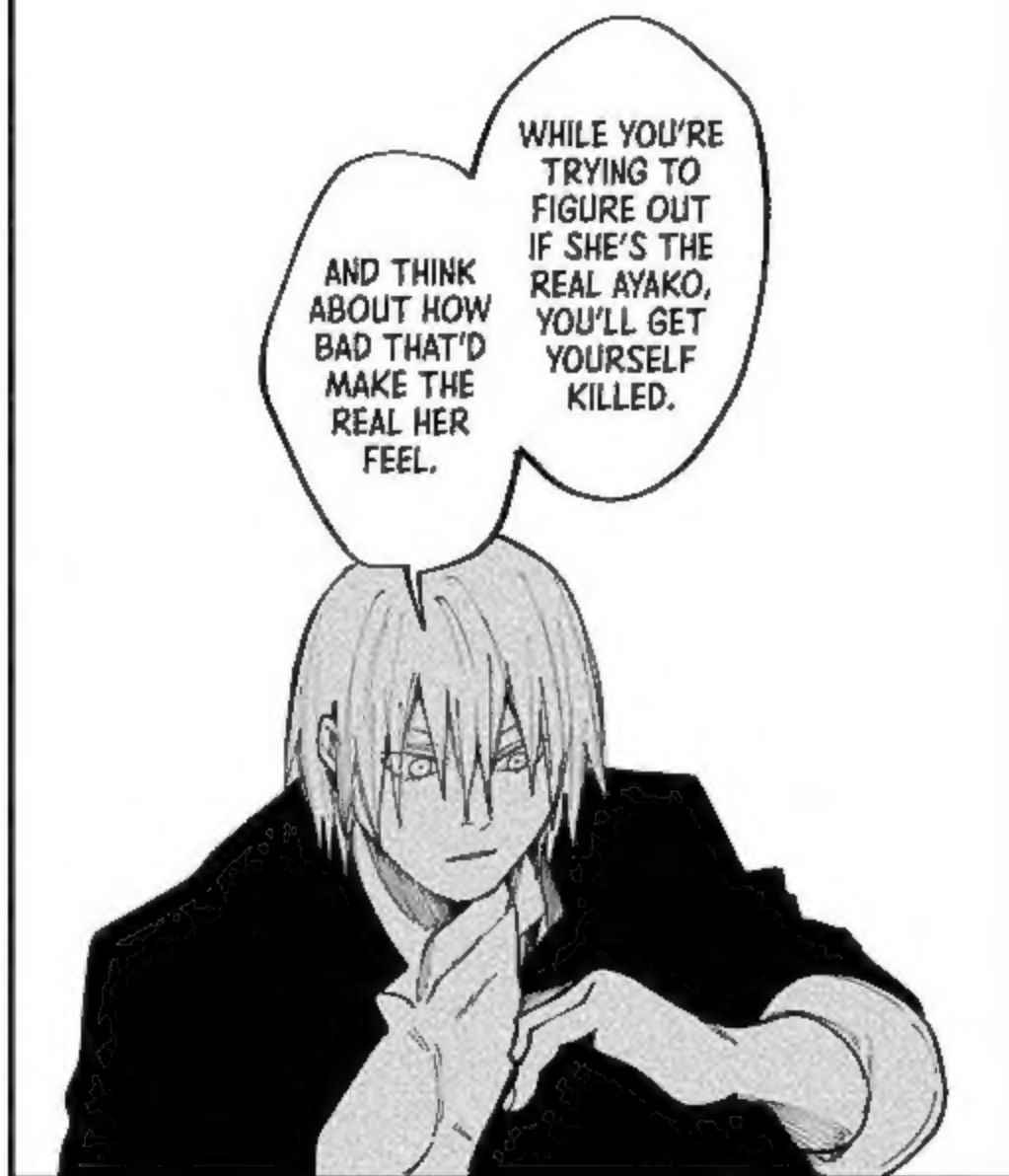














IN ALL
PROBABILITY,
THIS IS
WHERE WE'LL
FIND AYAKO.

THE
TRAVELING
FUNFAIR,
FLOWER.



...BEFORE
HE CAN!

I NEED TO
FIND MISS
AYAKO...

To be continued!

